

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

Int.Cl⁷ C09K11/00, 11/08, 11/80, H01L33/00

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X A	JP 2002-208740 A (Nichia Chemical Industries, Ltd.), 26 July, 2002 (26.07.02), (Family: none)	1-7, 11-15 8-10, 16-18
X A	WO 2002/86978 A1 (Nichia Chemical Industries, Ltd.), 31 October, 2002 (31.10.02), & EP 1394864 A1 & US 2004/95063 A1	1-7, 11-15 8-10, 16-18
X A	Takashi MUKAI et al., "Hakushoku Oyobi Shigai LED", Oyo Butsuri, 1999, Vol.68, No.2, pages 152 to 155	1-4 5-18



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Regarding claims 1-5, 7-13, 15-18:

These claims relate to a fluorescent substance represented by properties only, properties and physically shape only, an activating agent only, or the composition of a crystallized glass at a portion different from the fluorescent substance.

Although these claims include all the fluorescent substances having such properties and the like, what are supported in the description within the meaning of PCT Article 6 and disclosed within the meaning of PCT Article 5 are considered to constitute only very small part of the claimed fluorescent substance.

In addition, since a fluorescent substance represented only by such properties and the like cannot be specified in its scope even when a technical common sense at the time of application is taken into consideration, these claims fail to fulfill the requirement of clearness in PCT Article 6.

Accordingly, our search has been centered around the inventions concerning a fluorescent substance specifically mentioned in the description.

For your reference, full search has been carried out on claims 6 and 14.